GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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VILLAGES ELECTRIFIED BY SOLAR BATTERIES IN U.P. AND H.P.
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Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages in Himachal Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh electrified through the solar batteries during the last two years;

(b) the funds allocated to both the States for this purpose in the first phase of the project during the current financial year and funds spent thereon, State-wise;

(c) whether the State Governments are also contributing towards this; and

(d) if so, the extent thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER FOR NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KARIYA MUNDA)

(a): Nine remote villages in Uttar Pradesh and two remote villages in Himachal Pradesh were electrified through solar photovoltaic systems during the last two years.

(b),(c)&(d): State-wise annual allocations are not made for remote village electrification projects. Projects are sanctioned and funds released on the basis of project proposals received from the States. Central Financial Assistance to the extent of 90% is provided for these projects subject to certain benchmarks. The balance funds are to be provided by the respective State / beneficiaries. No funds have so far been released to these two States during the current financial year.